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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

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Ms. Kristy Groves, District Ranger
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RE: Rhoades Canyon Commercial Rock Project

Dear Ms. Groves:

Duchesne County is in receipt of your letter dated August 31, 2012 and the associated map. We understand that Drifters LLC proposes to remove rock from a landslide area on the Rhoades Canyon Road, just east of the Duchesne – Wasatch County line. The Duchesne County Public Land Use Plan policies support the multiple use of public lands, such as this proposal. However, we have the following comments.

Since the applicant proposes to use mechanized equipment to gather and remove the rock, our understanding is that the project will require a mining permit from the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. The DOGM contact for this region is Leslie Heppler, 801-538-5257.

Drifters LLC is proposing to establish a stone yard to receive the rock before it is shipped to market. If this stone yard is to be located in Duchesne County, the applicant will need to contact the Duchesne County Planning Department to determine if a conditional use permit is required.

The applicant proposes to truck up to 2,000 tons of rock per year, for a period of ten years, down Rhoades Canyon to Highway 35. We suggest that UDOT Region 3 be made aware of the proposal to determine if the Rhoades Canyon Road intersection with Highway 35 is safe for such increased use and if any warning signs need to be utilized on the highway during such hauling. The UDOT Region 3 contact is Rux Rowland, 801-227-8000.

If there are any questions regarding this letter, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

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